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# Canning Lake dam replacement halted

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

The Canning Lake dam and attached bridge – better known as Scott's Dam Bridge – will not be replaced by Parks Canada as planned,

In a recent report to Minden Hills council, roads superintendent Travis Wilson noted the project, part of a series of dam replacements and repairs being done by the federal government throughout the Trent Severn Waterway system, was not going ahead.

Council voted back in 2016 to allow Parks Canada to remove and replace the dam, that project to include a pedestrian walkway on top of the structure. Scott's Dam bridge, once an automotive bridge, has been closed to traffic for many decades, but is used by area residents as a walkway.

"On June 20, [Parks Canada] said they no longer had this project on the books anymore," Wilson told councillors at a recent meeting. "They found the structure was in better condition than they initially suggested it was in."

Wilson said the township would perform an inspection of the bridge and present the findings to council.

"We are going to be looking at the structure  
see SCOTTS page 3



Participants in the 10 kilometre run leave the start/finish gate to the Highland Yard on Sunday, Aug. 5 in Minden. This year's event, which is a major fundraiser for Places for People, raised more than \$20,000./DARREN LUM Staff

## Highland Yard a win for the community

by DARREN LUM  
Times Staff

Under a blazing summer sun, Brandy Wilson of Haliburton gave thanks to the record crowd of 375 registered participants about to start the 47th annual Highland Yard running event this past Sunday morning in Minden that would go on to fundraise more than \$20,000 for Places for People.

Wilson beamed with warmth, expressing gratitude to the runners and walkers that were gathering in front of her beside the Minden River Cone for their role in enabling Haliburton County Places for People Corporation to do what they do.

"I am people in the Places for People so I am a single mom with two kids. I love this community and wouldn't want to live anywhere else. It is beautiful, safe and peaceful. The people in the community are kind, caring

and generous. This is where I want to raise my children," she said. "Places for People are striving to solve the large need for affordable housing one family at a time ... I would like to thank first the people from past years for coming out to this event as well as the volunteers [for their] contributions and donations, and mostly the members [of] Places for People that made it possible for me and my children to have affordable housing and

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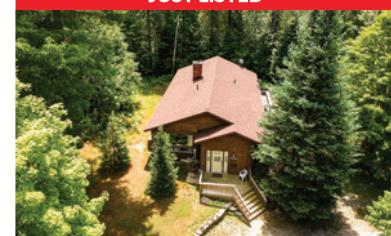
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# Places for People provides tenant with 'strong team'

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a sense of financial security. Today, I thank everyone here and the donations to come that will result in other deserving families like mine who still need the hand up that I have been given by the hard work of Places for People and generosity of people like yourselves and members of the community."

The record participation was a major contributor to surpassing the \$20,000 goal this year, said Highland Yard race director Jack Russel.

Russel emailed the Minden Times, saying the event has raised \$20,000 before due to "significant help" from banks, but this year's total "was largely the result of pledges and donations collected by runners and volunteers." This year's participation easily surpassed the previous high of 344 from six years ago when Places for People assumed organization of the event.

In an interview before the event, Wilson said without Places for People she may have ended up homeless. The support she received has also given her children stability, which is a solid foundation for them to develop, establish social networks and be productive in school and life. After a divorce brought Wilson to the Highlands more than seven years ago, she lived in the unfinished basement of her parents with her young children. Not having to worry about housing has meant a better quality of life so she can enjoy the Highlands and be able to afford things such as camp and sporting equipment for her children. After years of part-time work, this past June she started a full-time customer service job at the SIRCH's Thrift Warehouse in Haliburton. It's a step to owning a future home, she said.

Places for People and its members just want to help.

One of those people at Places for People is its president John Rogers.

Before the start of the Highland Yard, he talked about Places for People's vision: create secure, affordable rental

housing in the county for those at risk of homelessness and to support tenants so it can make a positive difference in their lives.

Part of the tenant support program includes a small portion of the rent going toward a trust fund for their future needs, whether it's to resolve unexpected expenses or take advantage of an opportunity. Access is negotiated, which leads to problem solving and education on personal finance management with the tenant's Places for People coach. The residences, which have been renovated old buildings, are chosen for their proximity to shopping, schools and medical care.

Started in 1971, the Highland Yard race began over a beer between two Onondaga camp staff members, who wanted to decide who was faster in a foot race. Places for People took over the race six years ago, using it as a major fundraiser and opportunity to educate about what they do. It has averaged more than 300 participants.

Rogers said the money raised through the Highland Yard will benefit Places for People in two ways. One, to fund the creation of an eighth unit, located at the Cardiff property, as a secondary suite. Two, enable the first hiring for Places for People – a part-time administrative assistant. Currently, Places for People has two building locations in Minden, one in Carnarvon, one in Haliburton and one was recently added in Cardiff.

This year's event included a two-kilometre, five-kilometre and 10-kilometre route. This year's five-kilometre and 10-kilometre age group winners received a mug handcrafted by local potter Bernie Nicholson of Pottery in the Forest.

The top fundraising team was The Jones-Milligan Race Team with more than \$4,255 raised.

At 85 years young, Dave Jones of Font Hill, Ont. participated 31 times in the Highland Yard. Jones, a cottager on Kushog Lake, was the top individual fundraiser with a little more than \$4,250. Not far behind was Susan Russel, who raised \$2,812. Another notable fundraiser was five-year-old

Buddy, the smooth collie owned by Minden resident Neil Campbell, 75. They raised \$1,150.

Like clockwork, Gary Clieff of Sarnia made the trip down to participate for the 41st time.

It was individuals like these who contribute to the success of the event. And yet, the compassion exhibited by the collective, possessing the generous spirit directed to a common effort makes sure those that are challenged always feel supported with a hand up and never feel alone.

"I am a single mom, but with Places for People I am not alone. I have a strong team on my side and I know first-hand the gift the next family will receive because of you. Thank you, very much," Wilson said, minutes before the Highland Yard started.



Highland Yard top fundraiser Dave Jones of Font Hill, Ont. raised \$4,250 for the Places for People fundraiser on Sunday, Aug. 5 in Minden. Jones, 85, is a Kushog Lake cottager and has participated 31 times.



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# Scott's Dam project deferred: Parks Canada

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a little more in-depth in 2018 . . . and getting a report back to council, as to whether there's an interest in rehabilitating it, or just improving the safety of it a little bit," Wilson said.

"As for Parks Canada, they don't have a timeline for this project; it's basically off the charts," Wilson added.

Mayor Brent Devolin said the feds were running out of money for the dam projects.

"They thought there was enough money to do this," Devolin said, pointing out that some projects, such as the replacement of the Horseshoe Lake dam, have run over schedule and over budget.

The replacement of the Horseshoe Lake dam which began in early 2017, has now been divided into two phases, and an invitation to tender for the second phase of that project will be going out in coming weeks, according to Parks Canada.

"So, the pot's empty," Devolin said, adding there was an expectation there would be another round of funding announced to complete projects.

Parks Canada says the Scott's Dam project has been "deferred" to a future date.

"The project to replace the dam at the outflow of Canning Lake (also known to some as Scott's Dam) has been deferred to a future date based on the results of the investigative work that revealed the dam was in better condition than anticipated," reads an email from communications staff at Parks Canada. "These investigations included more comprehensive assessments of concrete and soil conditions and revealed that while the dam will eventually require recapitalization, its life can be safely extended through a program of monitoring and routine maintenance as required."

As for the Horseshoe Lake dam, "the first phase of the construction at the Horseshoe Lake dam project completed the west side of the dam, including new piers and one full sluice with a concrete deck," the email from Parks Canada reads. "Pedestrian access and visitor area were improved, and an employee parking area was installed for Parks Canada dam operators. Continued challenges in maintaining a dry work-site within the cofferdam, combined with above-average

water flows and levels throughout the winter and summer of 2017 contributed to the delays in the project. Parks Canada made the decision to close the existing construction contract and re-tender the remainder of the project. As a part of the next phase of construction, sluices two, three and four will be fully replaced."

Another project was to replace the dam at Twelve Mile Lake where it enters Mountain Lake near Highway 35. Residents may have noticed construction fencing around the structure.

"In 2017, the project to replace the Twelve Mile Lake dam advanced to the construction phase," the email from Parks Canada reads. "Above-average seasonal flows during 2017 caused the originally planned construction phasing to be unachievable, and the decision was taken to postpone construction until 2018."

According to Parks Canada, an invitation to tender for the Twelve Mile project will be going out in coming weeks as well.

There will be further study before planned work is performed on the dams at the bottom of Gull Lake, work that was expected to increase outflows at the site, thereby helping to mitigate flooding during the spring freshet.

"The work proposed for the dams at the outflow of Gull Lake had entailed the repair of concrete and the improvement of some public safety features such as guard rails and signage," reads the email from Parks Canada. "After discussions with representatives of Minden Hills and the Upper Trent Watershed Water Management Partnership, construction work was postponed to allow time for additional study of water flow conditions in the area. This study will help to determine whether the existing dam is providing sufficient capacity and what the up and down stream impacts might be of alterations at this site."

Work that had been scheduled for dams at White Lake in Dysart et al and Jack Lake in the municipality of North Kawartha will also not be proceeding as planned.

"Infrastructure projects were initially put forward based on preliminary investigations and the results of the ongoing monitoring," the email reads. "More comprehensive investigations have in some cases demonstrated that particular proj-

ects do not need to be done right away and can be undertaken in years to come. This includes work at Canning Lake, Jack Lake and White Lake. In these cases work will still be undertaken, however a date is not yet known."

Between 2015 and 2016 the federal government announced \$570 million for work on infrastructure throughout the TSW system, \$40 million of it allotted for dams projects in Haliburton County.

Work at Bob Lake, Halls Lake, Loon Lake, as well the replacement of the dam at Kennisis Lake, has been completed.

## Yes, it is illegal to drink on an inflatable

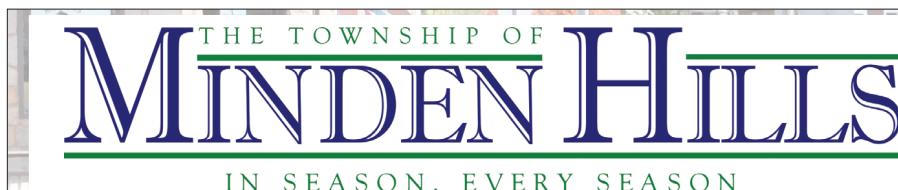
by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

While sipping a beverage of choice while taking a lazy-river meander on an inflatable raft or tube during a sunny, summer afternoon may be a preferred activity for some, residents may want to be aware that consuming alcohol on a floatie of any kind is technically illegal.

"Yes, they are a human-powered vessel," Const. Tim Negus of the Haliburton Highlands OPP told the paper regarding floating rafts, inner tubes, etc., and yes, consuming a beer while floating on one while out in a lake or river is against the law.

"The provisions under the Liquor License Act would apply," Negus explains, adding section 31 (2) – having open alcohol/consuming alcohol in other than a licensed premise, residence or private place – carries a fine of \$125.

"Yes, police do lay charges for these offences," he adds.



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Hills Museum and Heritage Village on Saturday, June 16th from 10 am - 4 pm. The militia camp will be open all day. Learn about camp life, time-period dance, the uniform and pack and women's role. Drills and musket firing will be held at 11:00am, 1:00pm, and 3:00pm. The museum is located at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre at 176 Bobcaygeon Road in the town of Minden. Admission is by donation.



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# Fleming proposes water-testing facility for Minden

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a July 26 Minden Hills council meeting.

Fleming College is proposing the construction of a water-testing facility at the Minden Hills waste water treatment plant site, off of Deep Bay Road.

Correspondence from the college indicates its Centre for Water and Waste Water Technologies would operate the facility, and the project would require no capital funding from the township.

"Fleming College's CAWT would provide the investments needed for a testing facility at the Minden Hills WWTP," reads a submission from the school. "Furthermore, CAWT would assume all responsibility for operation of the testing facility, including costs to segregate the areas and provide appropriate and required insurance, and pay for utilities and other associated costs. Terms for the collaboration would be negotiated with the Township of Minden Hills."

Along with the township and the college, the project would include partners such as the Ontario Clear Water Agency, which operates the township's treatment plant, the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Further information regarding the proposal will come back to the council table in reports from Minden Hills staff.

## Township to be reimbursed

The township will seek reimbursement from residents who damaged a well at the Irondale landfill when they inadvertently encroached onto township property as they performed landscaping in the area.

After the township removed trees providing a visual buffer to the landfill for abutting property owners, those property owners planted new trees, and also constructed a berm and pond in the area.

However, part of those landscaping efforts took place on township land and, in the process, a well on the landfill property was destroyed.

The legal, surveying, well replacement and correspondence fees the township paid as a result of the incident amount to \$8,700 according to a staff report.

"Staff agrees that the well being destroyed,

was accidental, but staff has a duty to report to council when these incidents occur," the report from environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram reads. "The residents that did the improvements have done a wonderful job to beautify their property, as well as the surrounding area."

Councillors agreed that the residents would need to reimburse the township for the expenses, and the township will work out a repayment plan.

## Residents request extension of non-hunting boundaries

A group of township residents is asking council to extend non-hunting boundaries to a property along Bobcaygeon Road.

According to a petition signed by 15 residents, people who have purchased a 100-acre lot along the road intend to use it for hunting purposes.

"The property lines many residential homes with children, families and pets who enjoy the use of their yards lining this property," the petition reads. "We are concerned for our safety in regards to stray bullets and how easy it is to get turned around when out in wooded areas."

"It has also been brought to our attention there is the possibility of this 104 acres being fenced in, thus trapping the wildlife inside the property. That is not but borderline poaching."

"We, the undersigned, are asking for this property to be listed as a non-hunting property due to the safety concerns we have for our loved ones."

Mayor Brent Devolin said he had a number of questions and would like to see more information on the issue.

"Certainly, I think this will be coming back to us," Devolin said.

Councillor Pam Sayne said she was supportive of the petition, and that sometimes people don't know where they should and shouldn't be hunting.

"There are a lot of people hunting on private property . . . I've seen bullets through people's houses," Sayne said.

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## What's the rush?

**M**INDEN HILLS council has awarded the contract for a major renovation of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Minden Hills Community Centre, in a move that seems a little hasty.

Councillors made that decision at a special meeting last month, a meeting that was obviously scheduled so that council could give the go-ahead on the arena rehabilitation before the so called "lame duck" period began for Ontario municipalities on July 27.

Lame duck begins when nominations for municipal elections end, and means that municipal councils are restricted from making any major decisions – including large spending decisions – for the last bit of an election year.

The price tag for the project, which will include an expanded ice surface, new change rooms, offices, a gymnasium with an elevated walking track and much more, is an estimated \$9.6 million. That is a big chunk of change for a small municipality. This is a major project.

The request for proposals period for the project lasted just about three weeks, and the township had only one bidder. So that bidder, an Ottawa-based company, will get the contract.

That is certainly not to imply the company is not going to do a good job, but that is a pretty short intake period for such a major project.

While the township is applying for a \$1 million grant to help with accessibility upgrades, at this point, no exterior funding has been

acquired for the project, meaning, ostensibly, Minden Hills taxpayers could end up carrying the full, nearly \$10 million cost.

The mayor is optimistic the township will be successful in obtaining funding along the way.

Despite the size, scope and cost of the project, a feasibility study was not performed, so it's unclear what targets for usage of the facility might be. There are other unknowns as well, such as what the cost of the gym equipment might be.

When conversations about the rehabilitation of the arena began two and a half years ago, the figure that was floated was \$6.5 million. We are now more than \$3 million above that, though much of the difference is accounted for by the addition of the elevated walking

track, a feature that was not included during initial conversations.

Critics of the decision and advocates of an indoor swimming pool are quick to point out that the cost comes close to the estimated \$10- to \$12-million price tag for an aquatic facility. However, the operating costs of a pool would add an estimated \$300,000 to \$500,000 annually to the township budget.

While there are not many people contending the arena does not need a lot of work, the decision was a bold one, if not rushed, and it's a near certainty the project will be a topic of conversation during the municipal election campaign.

With a price tag of nearly \$10 million, councillors need the process to be seamless, and the end result to be spectacular.



**CHAD INGRAM**  
Reporter

## Kwarky



"Stop! You're killing me!"

## Love me, love me knot

**T**HE OTHER DAY I lost a nice smallmouth bass and the reason – I'm ashamed to say – was that I tied a bad knot. There, I said it.

I know this is true because I watched the catastrophe unfold. I saw a nice fish, placed a good cast upstream of it, then watched the fly drift down perfectly until that big bass slipped out of its ambush position and intercepted it.

If time stood still at that moment, I would have been very happy. Unfortunately, I'm generally not that lucky. For me, time only stands still when things go horribly wrong.

That happened when I raised the rod and watched my line and hook separate.

At this point there are probably many of you who feel sorry for the fish. Well, let me just suggest your sympathy is misplaced. That fish swam away with a stylish lip piercing – an avant-garde combination of feathers, chenille and beads that most fashion-conscious Parisians would pay top dollar for. And with not so much as a thank you either.

I'm the one you ought to feel sorry for. I was the one who suffered the heartbreak of a bad knot – which is similar to the heartbreak of psoriasis but without the itching.

What bothers me most is that I know how to tie a good knot. Yet, every now and again, probably because I figure I can tie without putting my reading glasses on, I miss a turn or loop and a bad knot is born.

Interestingly, this simple act seems to ring a dinner bell for bigger fish. They somehow know that the fly or lure that has just entered the water is there for the taking.

The cure is to either pay attention to what you are doing or remember where you put your reading glasses. Or at least accept that it happens to all of us at one time or another.

I have known many anglers who simply cannot come to terms with the fact that they tied a bad knot. These guys will do forensic examinations of their lines and then come up with fantastic theories that will blame UV rays for deteriorating line, poor production standards or even mischievous dragonflies.

I once heard a buddy suggest that the fish had cut the line with its teeth, which would have been fine had it been a pike, walleye or muskie, rather than a sucker. Another friend of mine who lost two flies in a row to bad knots had the nerve to theorize that those trout were so educated that they learned to untie knots.

Shortly after, he tripped on his untied shoe laces and never repeated that theory again.

The truth is you sometimes have to just accept that you made a mistake that cost you a good fish and move on with life. And while I'd like to say that bass was the last one I'll ever lose due to a bad knot, I know that's highly unlikely.

There'll be a lot more of those before the end of the line.



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## IN OTHER WORDS

*Columns and Letters to the Editor*

# Insult and injury

**E**NOUGH IS enough. I'm fed up to the teeth with the dishonest war against the news media and the ill-informed fools who goosestep their belief in and support for it.

We cannot let the dimwits who repeatedly smear important journalism with that fecal label "Fake News" continue to get away with it. It is insulting to the thousands of women and men who work long hours, many for small pay and thin benefits, to observe and report on our lives and times.

It is an insult to me personally, one of a group of family members who have spent their lives helping to provide our fellow citizens with accurate and fair news. Also, it is becoming dangerous.

A free press, or more accurately these days, professional and independent news distribution, is the foundation of any democracy. Without it the cancers of manipulation and misinformation hollow and weaken our social structures like termites tunneling through support walls.

Enemy of the people, eh? Was Sy Hersh, the reporter who uncovered the U.S. Army's 1968 slaughter of innocent women and children at Mai Lai, Vietnam, the enemy? His reporting turned U.S. public opinion against the Vietnam War, now seen as one of America's most disastrous mistakes.

Was reporting the mercury contamination of the English-Wabigoon River system in northwestern Ontario fake news? Visit the gravesites of Indigenous people who died of Minamata, the neurological syndrome caused by mercury poisoning, and ask them.

Every day there are professional pieces of accurate news reporting that inform and enlighten citizens to help them understand and therefore improve our society. Yet every day media outlets reporting the news take more abuses that weaken them and eventually will sink them.

The abuse comes from several directions. Many politicians downgrade professional journalism because it often reveals their follies and mistakes. The best example today is the vainglorious U.S. president with his agenda to denigrate and destroy legacy media outlets because they report the truth of who he really is.

One of the most severe hits on traditional news media has come from the popularity explosion of social media sites. News can be reported now by anyone with a keyboard connected to the Internet but it lacks the veracity provided by professional journalism training and editors who demand fact checks, honesty, balance and fairness.

Facebook, Twitter and other social media sites are filled with false news. And because it is sensational, it moves faster and through more people, than real news.

Another hit comes from the general population, which never has made the effort to develop a full understanding of journalism, its importance and its workings.

These hits are killing legitimate, serious news organizations, and therefore our democracy. Reporting and editing staffs are being reduced and the number of working journalists is falling year by year.

Newspapers are closing. Guelph, Barrie, Orillia, Moose Jaw, and Peterborough no longer have daily newspapers. Other dailies in other cities will be shuttered within the next year or two.

Canadian daily newspaper revenues from classified advertising fell from \$875 million in 2005 to \$119 million in 2015, according to The Shattered Mirror, a 2017 report by the Public Policy Forum.

The same report noted that in 1950 there were 102 newspapers sold for every 100 Canadian households. That figure dropped to 18 for every 100 households in 2015 and is projected to fall to two per 100 households within the next few years.

In short, in Canada, the U.S. and other places around the world there are fewer professional news businesses making enough revenue to pay and support professional journalists to observe and report the critical stories of our times.

Part of the blame for all this rests with news organizations themselves, which have been too caught up in the past to create innovative approaches required by the huge changes of the last three or four decades.

Traditional news businesses stagnate while innovators create powerful and profitable companies like YouTube, Twitter and Facebook.

Even news gathering thinking is living in the past. Too many newsrooms continue to worship the scoop – getting the news before anybody else. That's an ego thing that should have died with the screwball comedy stage play and film *The Front Page*.

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## letters to the editor

### Terry Fox Marathon of Hope 2018

#### To the Editor,

I picked up a youth size T-shirt for my grandson yesterday at the Lily Ann, the second hand store in Haliburton. My grandson is almost seven. It's a Terry Fox T-shirt celebrating the 30th anniversary of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope. On the front of the T-shirt it reads "Working Together to Outrun Cancer" and there's a profile of Terry running, including his right leg, a prosthesis from the knee down; on the left sleeve it reads 1980-2010, The Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research; and on the back it reads "FOX", 30 and inside the large three there's a photo of Terry running, vehicles following behind him and inside the large zero there's a closeup photo of his face.

"Will I be able to participate this year, September, 2018 in the 38th Terry Fox Marathon of Hope?" I asked Leanne, a local osteopath who was treating me for an injury in my left hip.

"That's a great motivation, Barb," she replied.

I went on to tell her, "I'm very motivated because last year for the first time I couldn't participate since 1980. I saw Terry Fox in 1980 running down Yonge St. in Toronto and every year since then I have been inspired to do the run; as a recently retired adult ESL (English as a Second Language) teacher in Toronto, I have also encouraged many of my former students to run with me and to donate money for cancer research; we shared heartfelt stories of being touched by cancer."

She repeated, "That's a great motivation, Barb."

Right now I'm in training. I'm calling it 'the "Barb Rosen Marathon of Hope." I'm sending the T-shirt to my grandson in Vancouver along with this story.

Barbara Rosen  
Haliburton

## Finding fibre

**O**UR BODIES need fibre to function well. Fibre can be defined as the portion of plant derived food that cannot be completely broken down by our digestive system. Thanks to the marketing of many food companies we tend to believe that fibre mostly comes from products like bread, cereals and pastas that are made up of whole grains. While this is true, there is fibre in fruits, vegetables, beans, seeds, nuts, etc.

There are two types of fibre. Insoluble fibre soaks up water as it moves through our digestive system to keep our intestines and colon functioning well. The second type, soluble fibre, passes through the body without breaking down at all.

On a daily basis women need approximately 25 grams and men need 30 grams of fibre. The amount needed by kids ranges from 19 to 38 grams per day based on age and gender. The benefits of getting enough fibre are that it keeps us regular, it can lower cholesterol, control blood sugar levels, help with weight management and it can lower risk of heart disease and colon cancer.

Generally speaking, most people only get half the recommended daily amount. The question is what does 25 to 30 grams of fibre look like? Here's a list of foods, other than grains, to give you an idea:

- Raspberries: 8 grams/cup
- Apple with skin: 4.4 grams for medium sized apple

- Boiled Lentils: 15.6 grams/cup
- Almond: 3.5 grams/ounce
- Boiled Broccoli: 5.1 grams/cup
- Boiled Brussels Sprouts: 4.1 grams/cup

If we were to compare any item on this list to the fibre contained in a slice of whole wheat bread (1.9 grams) we'd find there are greater benefits in getting the bulk of our fibre from fruits, vegetables and legumes. In many cases, there are fewer calories, and in most cases there is better nutritional value.

Getting enough fibre will take some planning. It's important to increase the amount consumed a little at a time or your tummy may not be very happy. As you do increase the amount, be sure to increase your physical activity and water consumption to avoid gas and bloating.

The bottom line is that we want to be healthy. We want to feel good. I have had many clients over the years tell me that they didn't realize how lousy they were feeling until they started to feel better. This doesn't pertain only to fibre consumption but if "we are what we eat" this is a good place to start.

Something to think about.

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Shannon Blanchard and Andrew Graham of Graham's Farm Market in Minden with some of their beefsteak tomatoes. Graham's tomatoes are now available at half a dozen grocers in the area, including Todd's Independent, Dollo's Foodland, McFadden's Meat Market, Robinson's General Store, the West Guilford Shopping Centre and the Coboconk Foodland, as well as Abbey Gardens. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



## Local grocers carrying Graham's tomatoes

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Local grocers are stocking up on some local produce, with a number of stores in the area now carrying beefsteak tomatoes from Graham's Farm Market in Minden.

Shannon Blanchard and Andrew Graham are in their second year of production with a greenhouse on the farm property just off Bobcaygeon Road.

The 5,200-square-foot greenhouse is home to 1,200 tomato plants.

"HCDC [the Haliburton County Development Corporation] has been a huge help in this," Graham notes, explaining grants from HCDC were used to help pay for aspects such as ventilation and irrigation systems.

Last year, the couple struck up a relationship with Steve Todd at Todd's Independent Grocer in Haliburton Village.

"We said, 'Are you interested in some local beefsteaks?'" Blanchard says, noting the benefits of local grocery stores carrying local produce.

"It's definitely more sustainable, ecological, that's what we're wanting to do," she says.

The list of area grocery stores carrying beefsteak tomatoes from Graham's has blossomed to half a dozen this season, with tomatoes available at Dollo's Foodland, the grocery section at Robinson's General Store in Dorset, the West Guilford Shopping Centre, McFadden's Meat Market in Haliburton Village and the Foodland in Coboconk.

They can also be found as part of the menu at Heather Lodge, and at the sustainable food hub at Abbey Gardens in West Guilford.

"They are doing a lot of byproducts too, which is nice," Blanchard said, explaining that leftover produce is used to

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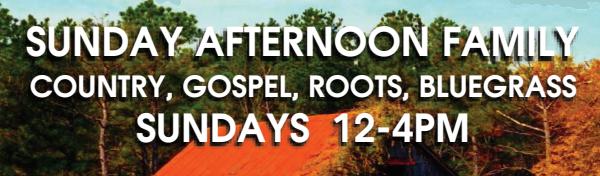
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### Tour de Forest highlights area artists

Painter John Lennard is a study in focus, as seen in this portrait during the Tour de Forest 12th annual Haliburton County Summer Studio Tour held from Aug. 4 to 5. This tour featured 26 artists at 15 studios in the county./DARREN LUM Staff



The painted work by John Lennard, as seen at his home.



Potter Lisa Barry, left, speaks with a patron at her studio during the Tour de Forest 12th annual Haliburton County Summer Studio Tour.



A sample of work by potter Lisa Barry is showcased at her studio during the Tour de Forest 12th annual Haliburton County Summer Studio Tour.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Wed. August 15** - Minden Merchant Sidewalk Sale During the Day

**Mon. August 20** – Fire Fighters Open House with OPP and EMS

**Thurs. August 23** – Haliburton Highlands Time Travelers at Kawartha Dairy

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# Minden couple making mineral puzzles

by SUE TIFFIN  
Times Staff

Over the winter holidays at Michael Bainbridge and Brigitte Gall's house in Minden, something magical was happening. Like in many other homes, friends and family were gathered and good times were being had. But at the Bainbridge-Gall house, a new idea was also being generated.

Gall had bought Bainbridge a 1,000-piece puzzle depicting Vincent van Gogh's *The Starry Night* painting for Christmas. The box was opened when friends came to visit, and Gall said she and Bainbridge couldn't help but notice that their guests were hovering over the puzzle, trying to make connections between pieces, unable to stop focusing on it, "like circling around Mecca."

"For three days straight we had eight people circling around our kitchen island just totally enthralled by this puzzle," said Bainbridge.

The immense interest in the puzzle helped Bainbridge and Gall with a question they had had about the collection of mineral photographs Bainbridge had amassed as a mineral photographer for a little more than a decade. As their friends circled, Bainbridge and Gall finally had an answer.

"We looked at each other and went ..." said Gall.

"Lightbulb!" added Bainbridge.

"Ah, that's what you do with these images!" said Gall.

Bainbridge had had a childhood passion for minerals, but became a cameraman and director of photography after school.

"Basically when we had kids, I decided I

didn't want to spend 18 hours on the film set anymore," he said. "I decided to follow my passion with [minerals], instead."

He has had a booth at the Bancroft Gemboree and has also worked as a mineral photographer or writer with the Canadian Museum of Nature, the Royal Ontario Museum, the Redpath Museum in Montreal, the Geological Survey of Canada, the University of Delaware and high-end collectors. Under Canadian copyright law, Bainbridge owns the images he has taken, and wanted to do something with them.

Quickly – just in the past few months – Bainbridge and Gall researched, learned and got organized under TheOccurrence, a business name Bainbridge has been keeping for just such an opportunity for years.

"An occurrence, the dictionary definition is a happening, an event," he said. "On the one hand it has this sort of sense of excitement about it, for me. But from a geological standpoint it's a concentrated mineral deposit, that's called an occurrence. So it has that sort of two sides to it."

Haliburton County Development Corporation was supportive of a test market launch, and with Jim Blake's guidance, Bainbridge and Gall went to the Starter Company Plus grant program through the Kawartha Lakes Small Business Entrepreneurship Centre.

"It's basically like entrepreneurship boot camp," said Bainbridge. "It was fantastic. At the end of it, everybody who was accepted into the program has a fully-formed business plan. So that took us to a whole new level with the business."

Matching funds from HCDC and a grant



Michael Bainbridge, left, together with wife Brigitte Gall, daughters Clementine and Naomi and mom Judy Bainbridge pose for a group shot just before they launched the family's mineral photography puzzle business./SUE TIFFIN Staff

from the entrepreneurship centre helped the pair with product development, booth development and will assist with building an e-commerce website from which they can sell their products.

Together with friends, the pair were able

to decide which images to use for puzzles and have six to choose from: 198-piece puzzles featuring ammonite and trilobite, a 504-piece proustite puzzle, a 1,000-piece rainbow pyrite puzzle and Minerals of

see PUZZLES page 14

**For Residents of The Township of Minden Hills and The Township of Algonquin Highlands**

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## THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

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The Township of Minden Hills has initiated a Community Improvement Plan project to explore ways to help revitalize and beautify areas of the Village. The Community Improvement Plan (CIP) will be used as an economic development tool to support existing businesses within the Village, attract new business development, and make Minden an even better place to live, visit, work, and shop!

A CIP is a land use planning and financial tool (legislated under the Ontario Planning Act) that develops a framework for future improvements and encourages private sector development within key areas. A CIP will allow the Township to provide financial incentives (i.e. grants and loans) to eligible landowners and tenants to help with physical improvements to private property, within the area defined as the Community Improvement Project Area.

Over the next few months, Council, Township staff, business owners, and members of the public will be assisted by the project team from Stantec Consulting Ltd. to prepare the CIP. There will be a number of opportunities for members of the public to get involved and provide their input.

We encourage you to stop by our first consultation event being held on **Tuesday August 21st, 2018 from 6:00pm-8:00pm (presentation at 6:30pm)** at the Village Green (between CIBC and 101 Bobcaygeon Road)\*. Whether you live in Minden year-round, visit through the summer, or simply pass through the Village, we would love to hear from YOU! In Phase 1 of the project, here are some of the questions we will be asking:

- What areas of the Village should be included in the Community Improvement Project Area?
- What is your vision for the Village? Are there elements of Minden's Cultural Heritage that should be maintained, restored, and/or celebrated?
- Are there any barriers that prevent you from visiting the Village more often?



Please join us to start this Community Improvement Plan discussion! For more information on the project or to be added to the mailing list for future updates, please contact:

Ian Clendening, MPI., Planner, 705-286-1260 ext. 206, [iclendening@mindenhill.ca](mailto:iclendening@mindenhill.ca) OR

Stephanie Bergman, MA, Planner, 519-675-6614, [stephanie.bergman@stantec.com](mailto:stephanie.bergman@stantec.com)

\*NOTE: This outdoor event is weather-dependent. In the case of windy or rainy conditions, please find us around the corner in Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street at the same date and time.



The Village of Minden Hills Community Improvement Plan

# Puzzles combine art and science

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Canada, which comes complete with what Bainbridge called a "chocolate box menu" explaining each mineral, and comes in both 198 pieces and 504 pieces.

"Some of the specimens are actually from around here, too," said Gall. "It's an opportunity to bring people into a world they wouldn't otherwise see. Minerals and specimens you wouldn't necessarily know about. So, there's an educational piece, there's an excitement piece, and then there's just a nerd ... it's just fun being a nerd."

Bainbridge and Gall identify as nerds, as do many of their friends but Bainbridge said they weren't necessarily avid puzzlers. Through their research they were finding puzzles were gaining in popularity.

"So puzzles and games is the fastest growing segment of the toy category for the last several years," said Bainbridge. "Hardcover book sales or physical book sales are on the rise whereas the Kindles and the e-readers are declining because people are jonesing for the tactile experience now."

Puzzles have appealed to Bainbridge and Gall for their content – the image on the pieces – and their research showed there wasn't anybody really doing what they were planning to do. "Anything earth sciences is dinosaurs, but for the most part, puzzles are sailboats and kittens and balls of yarn," said Bainbridge.

"We figured there was a space for somebody to do something different, a little bit more edgy-looking, slightly educational but not in a hit you over the head way. There is sort of another category of earth sciences puzzles which are more curriculum-based, educational, whereas this is just a lot more informal and fun."

With the tagline, "Puzzle responsibly," TheOccurrence promotes the puzzles for special events held at home, and Bainbridge and Gall plan to pair each puzzle with a wine, craft beer, or juice.

"I recommend grape, apple or mango juice for the trilobite," joked Gall.

The 198-piece puzzle is deemed perfect for The Dinner Party, while the 504-piece puzzle is ideal for The Weekender. The 1,000-piece puzzle, which can take significantly more time to put together, is subtitled with Don't Forget to Pay the Hydro. "Then we started thinking about it more, and as sort of a guiding principle, like as our actual mission statement, that encapsulates our philosophy, too, which is question things, be inquisitive, and do so in a responsible way, like your interaction with the planet and each other should be inquisitive and mindful. That's what's behind puzzle responsibly."

After the test market run at the Bancroft Gemboree booth last weekend, the set-up of the e-commerce site to sell the puzzles, and a show in Ottawa, Bainbridge and Gall hope

the next step will be looking into the viability of small manufacturing, so the puzzles can be made in Minden.

"It turns out there's only two other places in Canada that will take images and print puzzles, and they're not even printed necessarily in Canada, they're printed off-shore," said Gall. "So, we were saying, ideally because of where we are, because we're Haliburton Highlands and we're so proud of the stuff we're bringing out, we would like it to be done in Canada."

With a facility here, Gall said other artists, lake associations, businesses, or organizations that want to do a small run of puzzles would be able to do so.

The pair credit their family – who give each other impromptu hugs, finish each others' sentences and stay close as Bainbridge and Gall chat – with helping to make the project happen so quickly in time for the launch of the puzzle business at the Gemboree.

"It's really been all of us," said Gall. "Judy [Michael's mom] helped build this booth, she sewed this, the girls have been working, they've been stamping, they've been helping, they're going to help at the booth. It's all of us. OK everybody, guess what, we make puzzles now!"

"It's been overwhelming but less so because of all of the help, from friends too," said Bainbridge. Friends Jenn Wanless-Craig and Terry Craig have acted as mentors to the pair, and Chris Hanson and Hendrika Sonnenberg rescued the puzzle shipments when they arrived early and were about to be rained on, when the Bainbridge-Gall family was out of town.

"I think it's a great business and I think if

it will get to be better than Cobble Hill puzzles then I will be so happy, because Cobble Hill is one of the most popular brands," said Naomi, Bainbridge and Gall's daughter. Turning to Bainbridge, she said: "And I'm really hoping for your business to extend past Cobble Hill."

Despite the stress of making it all work so quickly and the nerves behind trying something new, the family continues to laugh while gathered around the set-up Gemboree booth in their garage.

"I'm really pleased that they're doing this because they both have such strong aesthetic sense, and it's a way for them to use their artistic sensibility, as well as their business sense which they also have a lot of, and the interest in rocks," said Judy.

"Minerals," shouts Gall happily, in correction. "Oh, I've trained her well, I like that," laughs Bainbridge.

"To use all their talents together in one place," continued Judy. "Michael's always liked rocks since he was really little. I used to have rocks all over the house, and then one day I decided they could be kept outside because they're rocks after all, but I was told very quickly that, no they can't, because they weather."

"I'm glad he has a healthy outlet for his rock-mania," she laughed.

"I will tell you, I've paid the bills with rocks in one way, shape or form for over a decade now," said Bainbridge. "Well, not with rocks per se, but with my love of rocks."

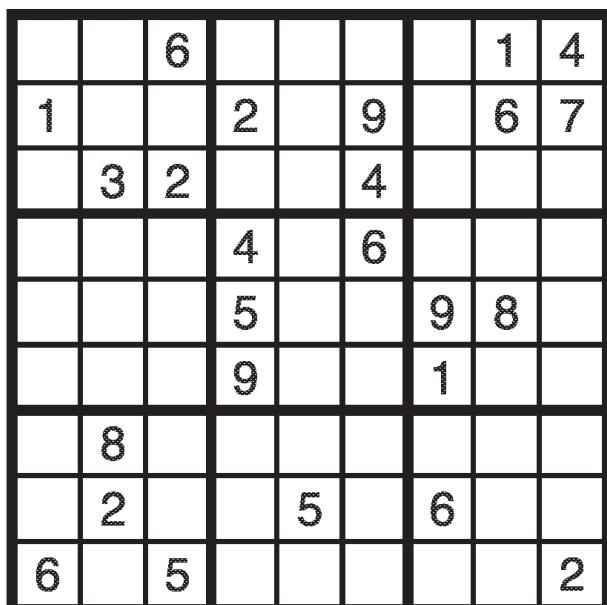
Visit [www.theoccurrence.ca](http://www.theoccurrence.ca), follow TheOccurrence on Facebook or contact Bainbridge and Gall at [info@theoccurrence.ca](mailto:info@theoccurrence.ca) for more information.

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Answers on page 16



### TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s. 40)

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 40 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, there will be a Municipal Election in the Township of Minden Hills for the offices of:

<b>Mayor – One (1) to be elected</b>	Jarrett Campbell Brent Devolin Wayne Hancock
<b>Councillor at Large – One (1) to be elected</b>	Ron Nesbitt John Teljeur
<b>Councillor, Ward 1 – Two (2) to be elected</b>	Richard Bradley Clayton Cameron Bob Carter Jennifer Hughey Rob Luke Dwight Thomas
<b>Councillor, Ward 2 – One (1) to be elected</b>	Mike Grozelle Pam Sayne
<b>Councillor, Ward 3 – One (1) to be elected</b>	Russ Duhaime Jean Neville
<b>Trustee, French Language Public School Board – French Public – One (1) to be elected for the Conseil scolaire Viamonde</b>	Sylvie Landry Anna-Karyna Ruszkowski

The Municipal Election will be conducted by offering three (3) methods of voting: Internet, Telephone, or Traditional Paper Ballot.

#### Traditional Paper Ballot Voting Method

Location of Voting Place: S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, 55 Parkside St, Minden, ON

- Advance Voting Day Saturday, October 6, 2018  
10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- Voting Day Monday, October 22, 2018  
10:00 AM to 8:00 PM

#### Internet/Telephone Voting Method

The Voting period is from October 6, 2018 at 8:00 AM through to October 22 at 8:00 PM

For more information on the Municipal Election, please contact the Township Office at 705-286-1260 ext. 217, visit the Township's website at [www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca) or email [elections@mindenhills.ca](mailto:elections@mindenhills.ca)

Dawn Newhook, Clerk  
Township of Minden Hills

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## Septics: The Basics

Septic systems are the number one polluter of our lakes and rivers.

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**Bacteria** –Never let anything go down the drain that kills the good bacteria in your system – your system need these bacteria to digest the waste before the water goes back into our water table and lakes.

**Time** - Your system needs as much time as you can give it to digest the waste you put in before the next load of water arrives. Remember – one drop in = one drop out of your system.

Give your system time by Minimizing Water Use and Spreading It out over Time.

**Tip of the Week**

### CUT BACK ON WATER USE

Older septic systems especially can be overloaded by water use from washing machines, bathtubs and showers, but in the end, using less is better for every system, and the planet in general. Give it a try - it's not so bad!

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

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Without a liver your body would not be able to filter toxins and would die. A Natural shoreline is your lake's liver.

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90% of life in your lake depends on a Natural shoreline with deep rooted native trees and shrubs.

If 75% of your lake's shoreline is not natural your lake is headed for trouble.

**Tip of the Week**

### RELIVE YOUR CHILDHOOD

Remember those days of turning over logs to see what was underneath, chasing minnows and frogs, and swimming in clean, clear water for hours? Your grandchildren deserve those memories, too, and where better to gather them than at Grandma and Grandpa's natural shoreline? (Bonus: They can help plant!)

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

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## This Week's Question:

**When renting my lakefront property how many people can the renter safely have using the toilets?**

### How to Win:

Email your answer to this week's question by 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13 to [chacontest@canoefm.com](mailto:chacontest@canoefm.com). The draw will happen on Friday, Aug. 17 at 4:30 p.m. and the winner will be announced live on air on 100.9 Canoe FM and in this space next week. (Only correct answers will be entered in the draw).

### Play Each Week!

All qualifying ballots will be entered in a grand prize draw of \$1,000 cash to be held Friday, Sept 7, 2018!

**Congratulations!**

To **Helen Brown**  
who correctly answered the question: What appliance should I never have in my kitchen if I am on a septic system?

## UPCOMING Community Events

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at [classifieds@haliburtonpress.com](mailto:classifieds@haliburtonpress.com)

### "Rock Our World," Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Fundraising Dance

When: Friday, Aug. 10  
Where: Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain St, Haliburton  
Time: doors open 6:30 to 11:30 p.m.  
Admission: early bird \$30 after July 1 \$35  
Gather your friends and come out to support the HHLT for this evening of fun and dancing! Jazz cover band and silent auction to start, then live music by Jamie Williams Entertainment until 11:30 p.m. Enjoy appetizers, entertainment, and a live auction! A great time for all! Funds raised will go towards protecting the land you love for future generations. Please check our website for details, or phone our office at 705-457-3700.

### Discovering Dragonflies

When: Saturday, Aug. 11  
Where: Location to be announced  
Have you marveled at the beauty and variety of dragonflies here in Haliburton County? Join our leaders Dennis Barry, and his wife Margaret Carney, as they introduce you to some of the many dragonfly species that make the Highlands their home. Wander through fields, forest and along shoreline as you learn. Some nets and containers will be provided but if you have your own, bring them along. Details will be posted on our website at [www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca). Funded in part by TD Friends of the Environment.

### Kinmount Family Funfest

When: Sat. Aug. 11, 4 to 9 p.m.  
Where: Free Downtown Street Party!  
Live entertainment with Gord Kidd, Woolley Wonderland Critter Visit, Classic Cars, Model Railway, Fur Harvesters, Wildlife Caller, Chicken Poop Bingo, Pizza Eating Contest, Vendors, Bouncy Castle, Air Brush Tattoos, Face Painting, Archery, BBQ, Raffles, Draws, Great Food & More! New this year: Kinmount Roots Art Show & Sale at Kinmount Artisans Marketplace.  
Vendor space \$10. Call to book. 705 488 2919.  
Wanted: Classic Car Kruz-In Participants. Call 705 488 1706. Rain location Kinmount Community Centre with limited activities. Visit Kinmount Family Funfest on Facebook or [kinmount.ca](http://kinmount.ca) for more info.

### Journey for Health

When: Sunday, Aug. 12, starting at 9 a.m.  
Where: Austin Sawmill Heritage Park.  
The Kinmount and District Health Centre is actively recruiting a third doctor for our Medical Centre. Pledge sheets are available online at "doctorwanted.org" or in Kinmount at the Pharmacy, the medical centre or Kawartha Credit Union. Join us! For more information call Dave McKay 705-488-2175, Yvette Brauer 705-488-2282 or go to [doctorwanted.org](http://doctorwanted.org)  
Light refreshments will be served.

### Lighthouse Church

Moving to new location on Aug. 12  
Where: Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre  
Please come celebrate with us.

### Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery, Decoration Day Service

When: Sunday, Aug. 12 at 2 p.m.  
The guest speaker will be Barb Fawcette

### Decoration Day Service

Gelert Cemetery

When: Sunday, Aug. 19 at 3 p.m.  
Please bring lawn chairs

### Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, Aug. 22, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

### An Evening of Song and Story

When: Friday Aug. 31, 7 to 10 p.m.

Where: Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, 23 York St.  
An Evening of Song and Story in the Calypso Tradition with Roger Gibbs, Joe Truss, Bazza, Albert Saxby, John Proctor and friends. A fundraising event for Haliburton DrumFest. Call 705-457-2330 for tickets.



"Billy Bishop" stars award-winning actor William Colgate, a professional actor for more than 30 years and Dorset resident, along with Cameron Gibson, a sixteen-year-old Huntsville High School student, as The Piano Player.

# Billy Bishop Goes To War

## DORSET NEWS

Lee Ross  
[burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com)



On Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m., the award-winning musical Billy Bishop Goes To War will be performed, for one night only, at the Dorset Recreation Centre as a fundraiser for the Dorset Health Hub. Many businesses and organizations in and around Dorset have thrown their support behind the event subsidizing ticket prices to be sold at \$20 each.

Billy Bishop, from Owen Sound, Ont. (officially credited with 72 victories, making him the top Canadian flying ace of the First World War and awarded the Victoria Cross) was no stranger to Muskoka in the first half of the 20th century. His wife, Margaret Eaton Burden (granddaughter of Timothy Eaton) had a vacation estate on Lake Rosseau, and following his heroics from the war, started Bishop-Barker Aeroplanes Ltd, operating a fleet of flying boats from Toronto Harbour to Muskoka. And with the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War approaching on Nov. 11, 2018 it seems to be a perfect year to bring the award winning Canadian musical Billy Bishop Goes To War back to Muskoka, by Muskoka's Professional Theatre Company, Dot The T Productions.

"Billy Bishop" stars award-winning actor William Colgate, a professional actor for more than 30 years and Dorset resident, along with Cameron Gibson, a sixteen-year-old Huntsville High School student, as The Piano Player. Director Joan Bendon is also a Dorset resident whose passion for the theatre and this production in particular is only second to her vast experience as a professional actor, director and CEO of Flip Events Inc. Production crew are also full-time residents of Muskoka. "It is amazing that all this professional talent is right in our community" says Producer and Artistic Director of Dot The T Productions, Jan Jacklin. "Having toured this production in and around Muskoka since last October, many in our audiences have stated that our show was as good as any major shows they had experienced in Toronto or Shaw" adds Jacklin.

"Colgate does not really 'play' Billy Bishop, he BECOMES Billy Bishop. His portrayal of Bishop took my breath away."

- Ben Harrison, Bracebridge Examiner and MuskokaRegion.com

Tickets for this event can be purchased by email [bjtownes@vianet.ca](mailto:bjtownes@vianet.ca) or [burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com). This is an intimate staging so tickets are very limited. Don't delay!

Happy birthday to Erin Burgess, Sandy Davis, Samantha Ellerington, Cory Keown, Jack Lilliman and Norm MacKay. For birthdays and submissions please send them to [burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com).

## SUDOKU SOLUTION

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Councillor Ward 1 - <b>One (1) to be elected</b>	David Lawson Julia Shortreed
Councillor Ward 3 - <b>One (1) to be elected</b>	Jennifer Dailloux Brian Lynch
Trustee, French Language Public School Board - <b>One (1) to be elected</b> for the Conseil scolaire Viamonde by Wards 1, 2 and 3 Electors.	Sylvie Landry Anna-Karyna Ruszkowski

The Municipal Election will be conducted using **Vote-By-Mail** and will be held on **Monday, October 22, 2018**.

Voters Kits will be mailed out to eligible electors during the week of September 24, 2018. If you do not receive a kit by **October 3, 2018** please contact the Municipal Office. Additions and revisions to the Voters List can take place up to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day allowing those individuals who are eligible to vote to obtain a Voters Kit.

For further information on the Municipal Election please contact the Municipal Office at 705-489-2379 or visit the Township's website at: [www.algonquinhighlands.ca](http://www.algonquinhighlands.ca).

Matt Gower, Clerk  
Township of Algonquin Highlands

# Community gets look at new Haliburton Youth Hub

by JENN WATT  
Editor

Members of the community got a chance to see the building that will become the new Haliburton Youth Hub last week.

A special event at the new location on Dysart Avenue in Haliburton on July 31, which previously housed the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, drew a large crowd on a sweltering afternoon to see the space.

Point in Time executive director Marg Cox welcomed the guests, which included youth, parents, staff and political representatives, by thanking them for their efforts in getting the initiative off the ground.

"It really has [taken] a village, or a county in this case, to bring it to fruition," she said.

A film made my Rowan Tofflemire about the lack of services for adolescents, teenagers and young adults was screened first, which helped everyone understand the local need.

Nearly \$1 million over three years has been committed by the province and about \$33,000 came in through Haliburton County Development Corporation.

The project is being led by Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents and Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Lighthouse pastor Doug Ross passed a ceremonial key to the building to some of the young people who came out to the event.

"It's a great day for your community and it's a great day

for the youth," said MPP Laurie Scott.

"Haliburton is like a template for the rest of the province. I want to take what's happening here and spread it out to the province," she said.

County Warden Suzanne Partridge congratulated the young people who pushed for the hub.

"Kudos to the youth of Haliburton County for lobbying Point in Time and the rest of the community and all the community agencies. I'm just thrilled to be here and seeing this happening," she said.

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey pointed to the work done by Marg Cox, calling her an outstanding leader, and noted that the hub is located conveniently close to the arena and new skate park in town.

The Haliburton Youth Hub isn't yet open. There is renovation still to be done to make the space accessible and ready to use. Preliminary plans were posted to the wall, which showed a chair lift, addition of a universal wash-

room and kitchen facilities.

The hub was created to give young people a place to go when not in school. It is to include needed social supports as well as entertainment and recreational opportunities. Several brainstorming sessions have already taken place about what should be provided.

Peter Smith, president of the Point in Time board of directors, outlined a vision for the hub.

"Youth need a place which is welcoming, safe and accessible. A place where they can share, contribute and participate. A place with an access to a variety of services and service professionals. I'm pleased to say that this place now exists in our community," he said.

Speeches were followed by a performance by local band Wescali.



## PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Thorpe  
Lots 10 and 11, Concession 9,  
Geographic Township of Stanhope

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original allowance for road between Lots 10 and 11, Concession 9, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original allowance for road between Lots 10 and 11, Concession 9, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

**FIRSTLY:** THAT part of the original allowance for road between Lots 10 and 11, Concession 9, described as Parts 3 and 6 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10137.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **16th day of August, 2018** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

**Dated:** August 9, 2018

**Matt Gower**  
Clerk  
Township of Algonquin Highlands  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Scinocca

Lot 7, Concession 10 and Lot 6, Concession 9, Kabakwa Lake  
Geographic Township of Stanhope

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of both Lot 7, Concession 10 and Lot 6, Concession 9, Kabakwa Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

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**NOTICE**

**Proposed Road Naming By-Law**

**TAKE NOTICE** that pursuant to Section 48 of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, the Council of the Township of Algonquin Highlands at its Regular Meeting to be held on **Thursday, August 16, 2018** will consider a by-law to provide for the naming and renaming of all public and private roads for the purpose of accommodating the additions of private road names within the Township of Algonquin Highlands as follows:

**Additions:**  
Barefoot Bay Tr  
Loretta Ln  
Stouffer Mill Dr

Additional information, and a copy of the proposed by-law, is available from the Township office during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or by visiting the Township's News and Notices section at: [www.algonquinhIGHLANDS.ca](http://www.algonquinhIGHLANDS.ca).

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Aug. 25 @ 6:30pm

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### Wine and Cheese

Saturday, August 25, 2 to 5 p.m.

Hosts: Peter Dilworth and Kathryn Hunsberger, Long Lake -1094 Pavilion Lane. Bring non-perishable donations for the Haliburton Food Bank.

## Miskwabi Area Community Association (MACA)

### Wine and Cheese

Saturday, Aug. 25, 2 to 5 p.m.

Hosts: Peter Dilworth and Kathryn Hunsberger, Long Lake, 1094 Pavilion Lane.

To get there: 118 to Kennaway Rd. to

Sisu Lane, stay left onto Pavilion Lane to

#1094. Bring non-perishable donations for the Haliburton Food Bank.

## South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents

### Annual Corn Roast

Saturday, Aug. 25 at 12 p.m.

1224 Hamilton Road

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## Halls/Hawk Lakes Property Owners Association

### HHLPOA Golf Scramble

Friday, Aug. 10

Contact [Peter@Hallshawkakes.ca](mailto:Peter@Hallshawkakes.ca) for more details

## Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association

Food and Fun on Saturday, Aug. 18 (Rain Date—Sunday August 19) 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Follow the signs to the north end of the lake.

## Kushog Lake

Life on Kushog Lake photo contest Deadline:

Aug. 31

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## Drag and Spruce Lakes

### Golf Day/ Lunch

Saturday, Sept. 1

Location: Haliburton Golf Course (\* please check website for changes)

Cost: \$45.00 Time: 10:00 AM

As usual - cost includes cart, 9 holes, lunch and prizes!

Call Wayne Hussey (705) 457-2892 or Robert Young (705) 457-2577 to register. [dragandsprucelakes@gmail.com](mailto:dragandsprucelakes@gmail.com) or contact Barb, the coordinator at [babohlin@gmail.com](mailto:babohlin@gmail.com), 705 457-8864

## Twelve Mile, Little Boshkung Lakes Association

### Regatta

Saturday, Aug. 11, 12 to 4 p.m., Twelve Mile Lake Beach, Chambers Rd.

### Fall Road Cleanup

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m.

## Canning Lake

### Ice Cream Float Day

Sunday, Aug. 12 - 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Paddle out to the touring ice cream boat and other stations around the lake for your free ice cream. Check the website for more details.

\*\*For more information on the above events please visit our website: [www.canninglake.ca](http://www.canninglake.ca)

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### Horseshoe Lake Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, Sept. 1

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# Organizers to add film night to Haliburton's Take Back the Night effort

by JENN WATT  
Editor

Organizing has started for this year's Take Back the Night walk, raising awareness about sexual and domestic violence, with changes aimed at increasing visibility and promoting better understanding of the issues.

To start the conversation, the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre is arranging a screening of the film *A Better Man* on Wednesday, Sept. 19 – the night before the walk.

The film's website says *A Better Man* "offers a fresh and nuanced look at the healing and revelation that can happen for everyone involved when men take responsibility for their abuse."

Lisa Clarke, community engagement manager of the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre, said plans to screen the film came at the request of Canadian Federation of University Women Haliburton.

"We had initially screened the *Better Man* film in Peterborough as part of conversations around Valentine's Day and do-

mestic violence. They wanted to bring the screening up to Haliburton," Clarke said. "As a group with other organizations in Haliburton we landed on screening the film the night before Take Back the Night as an opportunity to take action immediately on the issue of building a safer and more welcoming community and communities without violence."

Clarke said *A Better Man* is a glimpse into one couple's story of domestic abuse.

"The story of *A Better Man* is a documentary from a filmmaker from Toronto. She documents 20 years after her relationship with an abusive partner when they come together to discuss the abuse and discuss ways in moving forward and having some closure," she said.

Most years the Take Back the Night walk has started at the high school, but organizers thought it would increase visibility if it started in Haliburton's park and included a candlelight vigil through the streets. Visible Voices Open Arts Studio and YWCA Haliburton will have a presence at the event. There has been discussion around introducing more interactive



**Take Back the Night** raises awareness about sexual harassment and violence. Organizers are preparing for this year's event, which will take place Thursday, Sept. 20 at Rotary Park in Haliburton. /File photo

parts of the walk, including storytelling and a call out to artists to perform or create visual art.

Take Back the Night Haliburton is planned for Thursday, Sept. 20 at Rotary

Park. Sign-making will take place at 5 p.m. The rally and walk starts at 7 p.m. If you'd like to get involved with Take Back the Night, email [takebackthenight@kawarthasac.ca](mailto:takebackthenight@kawarthasac.ca).

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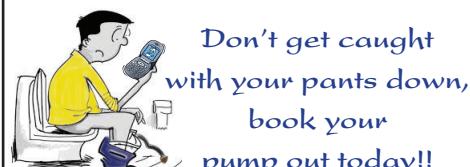
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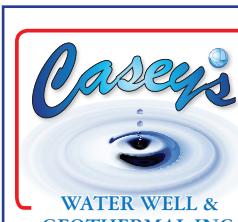
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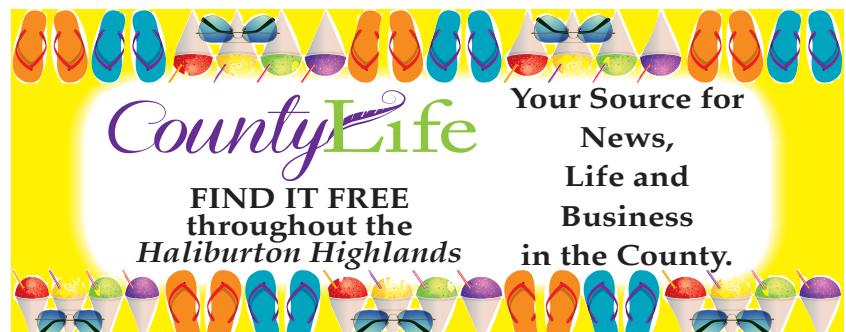
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## LOOK INSIDE

**Bear boaters**

Two black bears comandeered a boat at the Maple Lake landfill site.

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**Pretty in pink**

New baby Molly will be joining her MP dad when he travels to Ottawa.

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**Hosers**

Camp BUCKO kids had some good, clean fun at Kinark.

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**Head of the pack**

Rail Trail race saw 13 teams vying for the top spot.

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**In Quotes**

"The MNR has misjudged how interwoven the Frost Centre is within the fabric of southern Ontario. We would expect them, at the very least, to follow the law."

Linnea Baynton, page 3

by IZABELA JAROSZYNKI  
Times staff

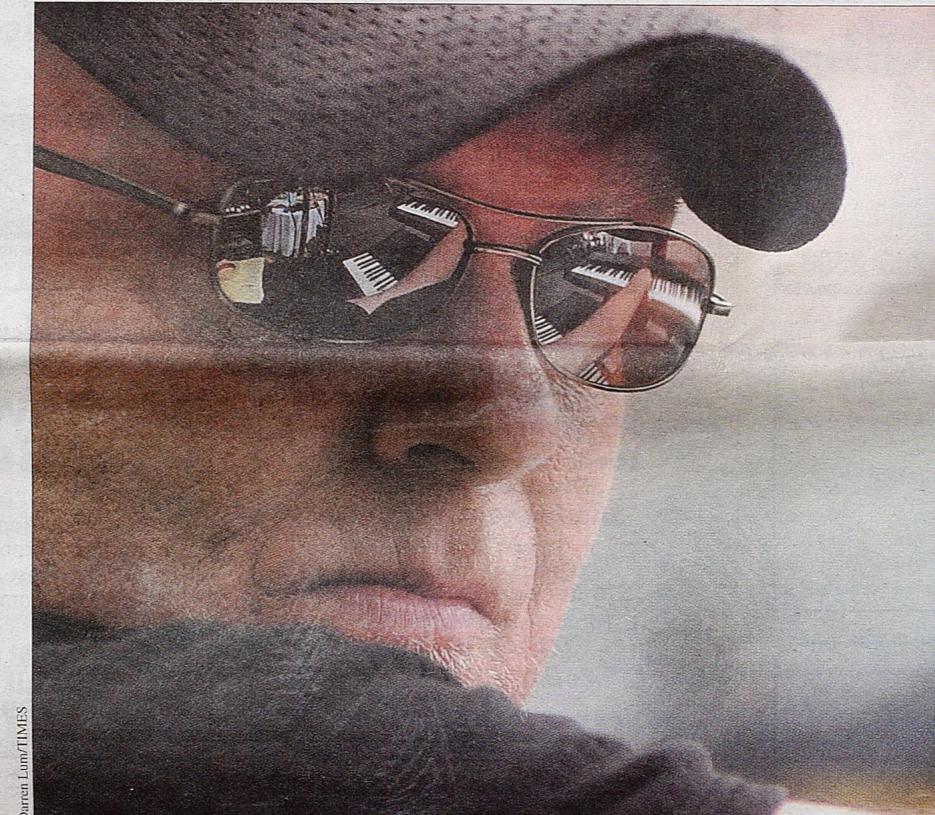
After a long debate, Minden Hills councillors voted against making any changes to the recently passed waste management by-law.

Recent opposition from the Minden busi-

ness community regarding council's April 29 decision to double tipping fees for commercial users and to decrease the garbage bag allowance for all residents sparked the summer-long disagreement which drew to a close at last week's meeting.

At the start of Thursday's debate, the township's environment manager, Bob Romberg, made a brief presentation to council recommending that no changes to the by-law be made.

see TIPPING page 4

**Cool, baby**

Keyboardist Craig Titus with the Ya Babys looks at the camera, his keyboard reflected in his sunglasses during their afternoon set at the fun day in Stanhope last Saturday. For more photos, see inside.

**Lack of public interest in waste plan is a concern**

by IZABELA JAROSZYNKI  
Times staff

The lack of public interest in the consultation process was the biggest concern expressed by those residents who attended the second meeting hosted by

Algonquin Highlands in its attempt to establish a waste management plan for the municipality.

Approximately 16 residents attended the Saturday morning meeting held at Club 35 in Halls

Lake, with a further 30 attending a similar meeting in Dorset last Thursday night.

People commented that more residents should take an interest in the process.

see ALGONQUIN page 5

## Village retailers survive summer

by JERRY GROZELLE  
Times staff

Minden's biggest retailers seem to have fared well in spite of a colder and wetter than normal summer.

In one case the customer traffic was down but sales managed to keep pace with last summer. Another store reported that sales of summer-related merchandise was down, although overall sales remained on par with other years. Still other business owners enjoyed improved sales over last year.

John Thomas of Minden's Stedman's says the weather didn't help his business. "I look at it as the summer that wasn't," he said. He said the number of people in his store this summer was as down from other years, especially near the end of the summer with the colder than average temperatures.

Thomas said the merchandise that usually sells well during the summer months wasn't as popular. He said instead of people buying T-shirts, they were buying sweatshirts.

"Sales were down a little bit," he  
see DAMP page 4

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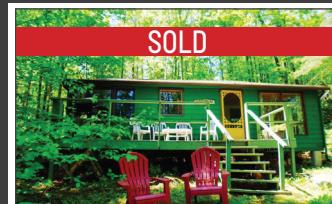
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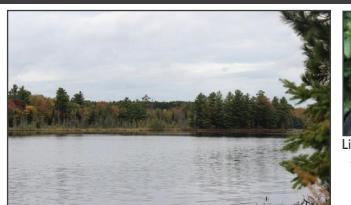
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